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Edward Yourdon has written the most useful book to appear to this date on the issue of the consequences of 9-11 for those of us interested in the Internet. He writes with great authority as he is the author or co-author of more than twenty-five works, as well as a noted programmer and developer. His assumption is that 9-11 represents a major paradigm shift in the age of the Internet, ushering in what he usefully refers to as “the security decade.” His research is thorough and his personal contacts give him great insight into current thinking in a wide variety of business and governmental circles.

The work is highly organized around topics such as: Strategic Implications; Security; Risk management; Emergent Systems; Resilient Systems; Good Enough Systems; and Death-March Projects. His conclusions as to the implications of 9-11 in each of these cases are addressed to Government officials, Senior corporate executives, Mid-level IT managers, IT professionals, and Citizens. Any member of these groups will find his analysis both thought provoking and useful.

The language with which Mr. Yourdon writes will sometimes be heavy going for the IT neophyte, but his overall style is engaging and he seems a thoughtful citizen as well as an accomplished IT professional. One hopes that government officials are reading *Byte Wars* before addressing perceived relationships between terrorism and the Internet.

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